

Whiteaker Community Council

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| Subject | General meeting |
| Day / Date | July 12, 2017 |
| Planned Time | 7pm-9pm |
| Room Info | Whiteaker School, Community Room |
| Invited (attendees in bold) | [here] |
| Additional Information | Send updates and revisions to whiteakercommunitycouncil@gmail.com |

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| <p>1) General Discussion</p> | <p>1. NEDCO (Emily, Exec. Dir) Home Ownership</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. History of Neighborhood Economic Community Development Organization <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Nee, 1979 - started in Whit, volunteer run for many years; buying and improving dilapidated housing and commercial buildings (Red Apple, Red Barn, Izakaya); ii. Late 80s, early 90s, graduated from the Whit and worked all over Lane County - focused on home ownership/first time home ownership iii. Now in Springfield, grown tremendously in last 7-9 years - now in Marion County (Salem) and Clackamas County (Oregon City) b. Four program areas <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Affordable Housing - preparing units for ownership; small scale affordable housing; building small housing in Whit - Youth aging out of Foster Care <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Land Trust housing - separates the land (held in trust) and family can buy the home/structure; land is leased at low rate 2. Eager to work with the Whit to purchase land in our community so that low income families could buy ii. Personal asset building (Foreclosure prevention, Higher Ed without Debt, IDA initiative etc; Families financial counseling (home ownership, business ownership, budget/credit/fiscal counseling. IDA initiative is... <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Low income (\$33K/one-person) 3:1 matching savings program for every \$1 you save, NEDCO will contribute \$3 2. Funded through state tax credit of up to \$10M/year iii. Community Lending Works (CDFI) – can do lending and credit business like a bank would, but with a community purpose; iv. Community Economic - neighborhood-targeted for business funding to improve a community c. All materials in <p>2. Centro Latino Americano (Debora)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Serves not just Latino, but Multi-cultural |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Mentorship program (car wash coming up: August 13, 12-5pm) c. Addiction Programs d. Mental Health services (survivors of violence) e. August - domestic violence survivors f. Sept - SAS workshop for women g. How to help the immigrant community <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Advocate for becoming a sanctuary community ii. Donate to Centro (or others, like Downtown Language; Huerto la Familia) iii. Feeling very targeted, so gathering with other Latinos iv. Eugene (like Portland and Salem) feels a little better than rural Oregon 3. Parks Dept. (Emily Proudfoot) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Park Ambassador program (Kelly Darnell and Joe Waksmundski) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Challenges (elicit activities: drug use/sales; prostitution; illegal camping) ii. Can no longer rely on police to come in for all needs, so Park staff no longer call them iii. Welcoming presence, handing out park maps; being eyes and ears of park; reminding people of park rules; developing good relationship to learn social service needs; are now advocates for housing, wet shelters iv. Park Watch (Owl eyes): community can report something going on in the park by phone (541-682-4800), QR code, website; they check it constantly; please use this program! v. 2015-16 - two park ambassadors for summer vi. 2017 - four ambassadors for six months vii. Added clean-up crew viii. Partner is sheriff's work crew - clean up with larger issues ix. Seeing more families, seeing less camping, referring to social services x. Funding year-round is the goal xi. Success! Although the result is pushing people out of the park, and so we see more homeless in the streets, but they are also succeeding in differentiating the homeless who can be helped and the homeless who are dangerous; Please be patient with the process until the sifting is complete and we can bring this to City Council xii. Park stewards program - Kari Peterson is Eugene Outdoors staff lead/supervisor for that program which has two volunteer coordinators xiii. Gilbert Park and Lone Oak have been totally taken over by homeless - even worse than any Whit park xiv. How do we support Park Ambassadors and get them year-round? Tell City Council that we are seeing PA program have a positive impact xv. Bigger conversation about Parks Operations will be coming up in next 6-9 months, so pay attention and get involved xvi. Human feces removal? Call Hazmat (not free service) |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Bi-lingual materials being produced c. Access gate at Owen Rose Garden (stays open unless car camping becomes an issue) d. Access gates will be going in at N. Washington (at Cheshire) and N.Lawrence (at Cheshire) at Skinner Butte Park e. Habitat work at Skinner Butte Park - grant funded - starts in August <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Invasives removal ii. Fire fuels reduction (some tree removal) iii. Habitat building (tree planting) f. ODOT repairing the bridge in 2019 g. Party in the Park, next Tuesday <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Red Wagon ii. Maurey Jacobs h. Washington-Jefferson: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. improvements due to two dedicated Police Officers and Ambassador program ii. Taking down stage iii. Taking down upper bleacher iv. Drainage around courts, restriping, repaving i. Sladden Park <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Resurface tennis courts ii. Remove plants around tennis courts iii. Move playground later in the summer iv. Remove the old pool next spring and add walkways j. Scobert <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Planning in the fall and winter - watch for invitations from Parks ii. Operational fixes to avoid the parks around city from becoming dangerous, so iii. Proposal to sell back to neighbors the southern part of park, still under discussion (Council action) <p>4. Crime and Safety update (Chief Kerns)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Since last meeting: on-street camping b. Jack Tripp from Mission (Blair between 1st and 2nd) has seen seeing up in street/car camping 3000 complaints last year c. Process has been: noticed and complaint made; report is compiled and St. Vinnie's posts a notice on the car. If the car has not moved and a second call is made to police about the same car within 2 days, then they will get involved. So MAKE SURE YOU WATCH AND MAKE THAT SECOND CALL! d. If you make a complaint and a week goes by, call us and explain, they are trying to figure out what's going on. e. What about other situations, where we have a person in crisis incidentally homeless? f. CORT program has been extended – Community Outreach Community and Response Team (EPD, plus White Bird and etc.) - g. Data request: Response time? 2016 priority 1-5 calls (have a suspect involved) 2.5 minutes faster for Whiteaker than any other place in the city. |

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| | <p>Probably because they are already here. 2016 average number of calls they go to is 76% in the city, in Whiteaker they go to 77% of calls. More calls in Whiteak And comparison Whiteaker response to others e</p> <p>5. Other? a. Discussion</p> |
| <p>2) Key Decisions</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ |
| <p>3) Action Items</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Names, Action Item and Date Due ▪ Emily, send info to Centro about Ice Cream Social and Sunday (Monday?) Funday ▪ Cathy, email Proudfoot about who is contact for Park Stewardship program - Vanessa? |